In the Claims

- 1. (original) A book having a holding apparatus for a storage medium comprising: a storage medium holder for receiving at least one storage medium; and a book cover having an interior cavity for receiving said storage medium holder, said book cover being slideable from a closed to an open position and being slideable along a direction of movement such that when said book cover is displaced to an open position relative to said storage medium holder, the at least one storage medium is accessible for removal from said storage medium holder and when said book cover is displaced to a closed position, said storage medium holder is received in the interior cavity of said book cover.
- 2. (original) The book according to claim 1 further comprising a cutout located in said book cover, said cutout being situated such that at least a portion of the at least one storage medium may be seen through said cutout when said book cover is in the closed position.
- 3. (original) The book according to claim 1 said storage medium holder and said book cover both have protrusions such that when said book cover is displaced to the open position the storage medium holder protrusions and the book cover protrusions engage with each other so that said storage medium holder and said book cover are engagingly interlocked with each other.
- 4. (original) The book according to claim 1 wherein said book cover further comprises a seam where one side of the slideable book cover meets a binding of the book when in the closed position.

- 5. (original) The book according to claim 1 wherein said book cover further comprises a rigid material.
- 6. (original) The book according to claim 5 wherein said book cover further comprises a covering around said rigid material.
- 7. (original) The book according to claim 6 wherein said book cover further comprises a padded material located between said rigid material and said covering.
- 8. (original) The book according to claim 1 wherein said storage medium holder comprises a recess and a stem for detachably engaging with a hole in the center of the at least one storage medium.
- 9. (currently amended) A book comprising:
 - a storage medium holder for receiving at least one storage medium;
- a cover having having a first part and a second part, said first part having an interior cavity for receiving at least a portion of said storage medium holder therein; and
- [[a]] <u>said</u> second part having said storage medium holder slideably attached thereto, said second part having an interior cavity for receiving at least a portion of said storage medium holder therein;

wherein said storage medium holder is slideable along <u>a</u> direction of movement relative to said first part and said second part is slideable along a direction of movement relative to said storage medium holder such that when said second part and said storage medium holder are displaced to an open position, the at least one storage medium is accessible for removal from said storage medium holder and when said second part and said storage medium holder are displaced to a closed position, the at least

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one storage medium is received in the interior cavities of both said first and said second parts.

- 10. (original) The book according to claim 9 wherein said first part further comprises a first edge and said second part further comprises a second edge, said first edge and said second edge meeting when said book cover is in the closed position.
- 11. (original) The book according to claim 9 said storage medium holder, said first part and said second part each having protrusions, such that when said second part is displaced toward the open position the storage medium holder protrusions and the second part protrusions engage with each other so that said storage medium holder and said second part are engagingly interlocked with each other, and when said storage medium holder is displaced toward the open position the storage medium holder protrusions and the first part protrusions engage with each other so that said storage medium holder and said first part are engagingly interlocked with each other.
- 12. (original) The book according to claim 11 wherein the at least one storage medium has an upper side having a design thereon, the design indicating the book it is associated with, wherein at least a portion of the upper side of the at least one storage medium may be seen through said cutout when said book cover is in the closed position.
- 13. (original) The book according to claim 9 wherein said book cover further comprises a board material.
- 14. (original) The book according to claim 13 wherein said book cover further comprises a plastic covering around said board material.

- 15. (original) The book according to claim 14 wherein said book cover further comprises a padded material located between said board material and said plastic covering.
- 16. (original) The book according to claim 9 wherein said storage medium holder comprises a recess and a stem for detachably engaging with a hole in the center of the at least one storage medium.
- 17. (currently amended) A Compact Disk Disc holding apparatus for use with a book comprising:
 - a Compact Disk Disc holder for receiving at least one Compact Disk Disc; a book cover having:
- a first part connected at one side to a binding of a book and having said Compact Disk Disc holder attached thereto;
- a second part having said Compact Disk Disc holder slideably attached thereto, said second part having an interior cavity for receiving at least a portion of said Compact Disk Disc holder therein;

wherein said second part is slideable along a direction of movement relative to said Compact Disk Disc holder such that when said second part is displaced to an open position, the at least one Compact Disk Disc is accessible for removal from said Compact Disk Disc holder and when said second part is displaced to a closed position, the at least one Compact Disk Disc is received in the interior cavity of said second part.

18. (currently amended) The Compact Disk Disc holding apparatus according to claim 18 17 further comprising a cutout located in said book cover, said cutout being situated along an edge of said first part and along an edge of said second part such

that at least a portion of the at least one Compact Disk Disc may be seen through said cutout when said book cover is in the closed position.

- 19. (currently amended) The Compact Disk Disc holding apparatus according to claim 18 17 said Compact Disk Disc holder, said first part and said second part each having protrusions, such that when said second part is displaced toward the open position the Compact Disk Disc holder protrusions and the second part protrusions engage with each other so that said Compact Disk Disc holder and said second part are engagingly interlocked with each other, and when said Compact Disk Disc holder is displaced toward the open position the Compact Disk Disc holder protrusions and the first part protrusions engage with each other so that said Compact Disk Disc holder and said first part are engagingly interlocked with each other.
- 20. (original) A book having a holding apparatus for a storage medium comprising: a storage medium holder for receiving at least one storage medium; and a book cover having an interior cavity for receiving said storage medium holder, said storage medium holder being slideable from a closed to an open position and being slideable along a direction of movement such that when said storage medium holder is displaced to an open position relative to said book cover, the at least one storage medium is accessible for removal from said storage medium holder and when said storage medium is displaced to a closed position, said storage medium holder is received in the interior cavity of said book cover.
- 21. (new) A storage medium holding apparatus, comprising:
 a storage medium holder for receiving at least one storage medium;
 a first part comprising a base piece, a top piece and an interior cavity for receiving at least a portion of said storage medium holder therein;

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a second part slideably attached to said storage medium holder comprising a base piece, a top piece and an interior cavity for receiving at least a portion of said storage medium holder therein;

wherein said storage medium holder is slideable along a direction of movement relative to said first part and said second part is slideable along a direction of movement relative to said storage medium holder such that when said second part and said storage medium holder are displaced to an open position, the at least one storage medium is accessible for removal from said storage medium holder and when said second part and said storage medium holder are displaced to a closed position, the at least one storage medium is received in the interior cavities of both said first and said second parts.

- 22. (new) The storage medium holding apparatus according to claim 21, said storage medium holder, said first part and said second part each having protrusions, such that when said second part is displaced toward the open position the storage medium holder protrusions and the second part protrusions engage with each other so that said storage medium holder and said second part are engagingly interlocked with each other, and when said storage medium holder is displaced toward the open position the storage medium holder protrusions and the first part protrusions engage with each other so that said storage medium holder and said first part are engagingly interlocked with each other.
- 23. (new) The storage medium holding apparatus according to claim 21, wherein each of said first and second parts further comprise at least one of a paperboard material, a plastic material, and a foam material.

- 24. (new) The storage medium holding apparatus according to claim 21, wherein said at least one storage medium is one of a Compact Disc and a DVD.
- 25. (new) A storage medium holding apparatus, comprising:

a tray comprising a storage medium holder for receiving at least one storage medium, the storage medium being one of a Compact Disc and a DVD; and

a cavity for receiving at least a portion of said tray therein, said cavity defined by multiple layers including a base layer, a top layer, and at least one intermediate layer;

wherein said tray is slideable along a direction of movement relative to said cavity such that when said tray is displaced to an open position, the at least one storage medium is accessible for removal from said storage medium holder and when said tray is displaced to a closed position, the at least one storage medium is received in said cavity;

wherein said tray further comprises at least two tray protrusions extending substantially perpendicular to the direction of movement; and

wherein said at least one intermediate layer comprises at least two cavity protrusions extending substantially perpendicular to the direction of movement such that when said tray is displaced toward the open position the cavity protrusions and the tray protrusions engage with each other so that said cavity and said tray are engagingly interlocked with each other.

- 26. (new) The storage medium holding apparatus according to claim 25, wherein the multiple layers comprise one of a paperboard material and a plastic material.
- 27. (new) The storage medium holding apparatus according to claim 25, wherein the at least two cavity protrusions comprise one of a paperboard material and a plastic material.

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- 28. (new) The storage medium holding apparatus according to claim 25, wherein the tray protrusions and the cavity protrusions are substantially the same size.
- 29. (new) The storage medium holding apparatus according to claim 25, wherein said base layer is adjacent to at least one book.